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1. THERE FOLLOWS SUGGESTED LANGUAGE FOR NOTE REFERRED TO
IN REFTELS: -

2. "...AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO ITS APPROACH/
NOTE/AIDE MEMOIRE OF MARCH 28 AND TO SUBSEQUENT CONVERSA-
TIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF SIGNING THE NINTH SUPPLEMENTAL
LEASE FOR THE U.S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT KAGNEW.

THE EMBASSY HAS NOW BEEN INFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
STATE THAT GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES CANNOT AT THIS
TIME FORESEE HOW MUCH LONGER IT WILL WISH TO MAINTAIN THE
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NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS UNIT AT KAGNEW. IT IS ENTIRELY LIKE-

LY THAT THIS FACILITY WOULD CONTINUE TO BE OF USE TO THE UNITED STATES NAVY BEYOND MAY 23, 1979, THE EARLIEST DATE UPON WHICH THE AGREEMENT ON THE UTILIZATION OF DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS OF MAY 22, 1953, CAN BE TERMINATED ACCORDING TO THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS THEREIN.

IN VIEW OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND IN ORDER TO REGULARIZE

THE SITUATION, THE EMBASSY DEEMS IT DESIRABLE THAT THE NINTH SUPPLEMENTAL LEASE FOR THE KAGNEW STATION BE SIGNED AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE." ROBINSON

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